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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Nobuhiro TAGASHIRA, et al. ) : Examiner: Unassigned  
Appln. No.: 10/075,397 ) : Group Art Unit: 2131  
Filed: February 15, 2002 ) :  
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Sir:

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The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

APPLICATION NO. FILING DATE GROUP ART UNIT INVENTOR(S)

09/793,634            02/27/2001            2621            K. Iwamura

A copy of the above-cited application is enclosed.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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